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Memorandum

TO : SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775) DATE: 5/20/68

FROM : SA THOMAS L. BUCKLEY

SUBJECT: M U R K I N
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On 5/16/68, [redacted] Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., 800 Broadway, Cape Girardeau, Mo., furnished the names and addresses of the subscribers of the following numbers. [redacted] advised that all of these numbers were regularly listed numbers which could be obtained by reference to the telephone book or through information service, with the exception of #379-9594, which is a pay telephone located in LaFont's Service Station at Portageville, Mo., and #888-9901, another pay-telephone located at the Legionnaire Grill in Kennett, Mo. [redacted] advised that these numbers were not listed in the telephone book and were not recorded with the information operator only because they were intended for transient use and not because the subscriber had requested that they be non-published numbers:

Cape Girardeau	ED 5-3044	General Sign Co., Box 216 Cape Girardeau
Gideon	HI 8-3650	J. D. WILLIAMS - Gideon
Lilborn	OV 8-2732	BOB NESSELRODT, Lilborn
New Madrid	748-2353	DAVID FULLER, No. Kingshighway
	748-5166	EASTMAN FULLER, 741 Scott
	748-5501	Fuller Builders' Supply, Hwy 61
	748-5588	Seeman-Monan Motor Co., 423 Main
	748-5843	River Roads Inn, Hwy. 61
Portageville	DR 9-3319	BIG JOHN's DRIVE-IN, Hwy. 61 No.
	DR 9-3357	GENE FARMER, W. 9th
	DR 9-3502	LaFont's Sinclair Station
	DR 9-5438	Delta Auto Parts & Salvage
	379-9594	Unlisted Pay Station-LaFont's Service Station

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Sikeston	471-4008	P. J.'s Auto & Home Supply Sikeston, So. Kingshighway
Risco	EX 6-5511	Farmers State Bank
Holcomb	SW 2-9686	ROBINSON D-X Service Station (Inside Pay Station, 205 W. Main)
Caruthersville	ED 3-0290	Dennis Cain Motor Co., Inc., 111 E. 4th
	ED 3-1111	Home Oil & Gas Co. Office, 424 Ward
	ED 3-1707	ELOISE LaFONTE, 1805 W. Parkview
	ED 3-2515	B. F. Goodrich Co., 500 Walker
	ED 3-0516	JANIE DONAHUE, 1805 Carroll
	ED 3-4113	Broadway Music Co., 109 W. 5th
	~~ED 3-0611~~	J. P. BERRY Welding Co., 200 Walker
Hayti	FL 9-1226	W. W. Chism, 400 E. Madison
	FL 9-1715	Gurn's Cafe, 101 No. 61 Drive
	FL 9-1333	Milton Kelly, 110 E. Main
Kennett	TU 8-4561	McCalls Tire & Appliance Store
	TU 8-9112	W. F. WILLIAMS
	TU 8-9212	SMITH & SON TRANSMISSION SERVICE
	TU 8-9704	WILLA DEAN PARR, 711 Slicer
	888-9901	Unlisted pay station - Legionnaire Grill
Malden	CR 6-2566	HAROLD PINKLEY, 404 Burkhart
	CR 6-4131	N. A. HAYNES, 508 N. Douglass
	CR 6-4577	PEPSI-COLA BTLG. CO., N. Douglass

Mr. Weisberg
Bo Young of Broadway Music is one of the conspirators named by Jim Green. I've found other pieces of the puzzle that "fit". Sud

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Poplar Bluff	SU 5-2519	CROWE TIRE & TEXACO SERVICE 1100 WEST PINE
WARDELL	MA 8-3257	JEWEL MATHIS, Wardell
	MA 8-3405	Mrs. ELLA BLURTON, Rt.1, Wardell
	MA 8-3421	LILLIE GASKIN, wardell
	MA 8-3541	LIN E. BANKSTON, Wardell
	MA 8-3515	ED MARTIN, Rt. 2, Wardell

On 5/17/68, the following persons were contacted regarding the below listed businesses. None of these persons furnished any information which would indicate that these businesses are not entirely legitimate, nor was any information developed indicating that the businesses were frequented by hoodlums or other undesirable characters. In view of this, these businesses were not contacted as part of this investigation:

COP IRVING BEARD, Cape Girardeau PD, re General Sign Co., Inc., 39 No. Broadway, Cape Girardeau, Mo., phone ED 5-3044;

Deputy Sheriff WALTER IVY, New Madrid County SO, New Madrid, Mo., re FULLER Builders Supply, Highway 61, New Madrid, Mo., phone 748-5501; Seeman-Monan Motor Co., 423 Main St., New Madrid, Mo., phone 748-5588; River Roads Inn, Highway 61, New Madrid, Mo., phone 748-5843; Farmers State Bank, Risco, Mo., phone Ex-6-5511.

Officer ROBERT DOCKIN, Malden, Mo. PD, re the Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co., No. Douglass St., Malden, Mo., phone CI 6-4577;

Officer ROBERT DOCKIN, Malden PD, and City Marshal WILLIS WINGO, Gideon, Mo., re ROBINSON's DX Service Station, 205 West Main, Holcomb, Mo., phone SW 2-9686;

Deputy ROY HURLEY, Portageville, PD, re BIG JOHN's Drive-In, Highway 61, North Portageville, phone DR 9-3319; DELTA Auto Parts and Salvage, Portageville, phone DR 9-5438;

COP ROBERT J. MONTAGUE, Crowe Tire and Texaco Service, 100 West Pine, Poplar Bluff, Mo., phone SU 5-2519.

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On 5/17/68, WALTER IVY advised that DAVID and EASTMAN FULLER are the proprietors of FULLER's Building Supply, Highway 61, New Madrid, Mo. IVY stated he knew nothing derogatory about either of the FULLERs.

On 5/17/68, both DAVID and EASTMAN FULLER examined photos of JAMES EARL RAY and advised that they had never seen this individual before. The FULLERs advised that they are formerly from Portageville, Mo., and are aware that the cafe at LaFont's Service Station is being operated by a new owner but they do not know who he is.

On 5/17/68, COP JOHNNY MARTIN, Lilborn, Mo., advised that BOB NESSELRODT is a reputable farm who lives on a large farm near Lilborn. He advised that the family has lived inthe area for several generations, and is well thought of in the community.

On 5/17/68, ROBERT A. NESSELRODT examined photos of JAMES EARL RAY and advised that he has never seen this person. NESSELRODT stated he is aware that there is a new proprietor at LaFont's Cafe but does not know him by name or otherwise. NESSELRODT stated he never frequents LaFont's Cafe in Portageville.

On 5/17/68, Officer ROBERT DOCKIN, Malden PD, advised that HAROLD PINKLEY is part owner of Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co., in Malden, Mo., and enjoys an excellent reputation in the community. DOCKIN further advised that Mr. N. A. HAYNES is the minister of the Penecostal Church in Malden and also enjoys an excellent reputation in the community. He knew nothing derogatory about either PINKLEY or HAYNES.

On 5/17/68, NALLEN A. HAYNES examined photos of JAMES EARL RAY and was unable to identify RAY as anyone he has ever known. HAYNES stated that he does not know [redacted] who operates the [redacted] He advised, however, that his son, EDWIN, sold a car to LaFont's Service Station about one month ago.

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On 5/17/68, CLARENCE EDWIN HAYNES was unable to identify photo of JAMES EARL RAY as anyone he had ever seen. He stated that approximately one month ago he sold an old auto formerly owned by him to LaFont's Service Station but had no contact with anyone named [redacted] during this transaction and does not know [redacted]

On 5/17/68, City Marshal WILLIS WINGO, Gideon, Mo., advised that he has known J. D. WILLIAMS for many years and that WILLIAMS works for the Fletcher Gin Co., as a heavy machine operator. He stated WILLIAMS enjoys an excellent reputation in the community.

On 5/17/68, J. D. WILLIAMS, who sometimes signs his name JAY DEE WILLIAMS, examined photos of JAMES EARL RAY and advised that RAY is unknown to him. WILLIAMS stated he does not know [redacted] who operates the cafe at LaFont's Service Station, but added that his wife, who recently left him, was running around with a man who works at LaFont's. WILLIAMS advised that he has not been in LaFont's Service Station for three or four years, but that he used to have occasion to visit at Greyhound Bus Stop at LaFont's to pick up machinery parts shipped by bus from Memphis, Tenn., and left there for his company.

On 5/17/68, Deputy ROY HURLEY, Portageville PD, advised that GENE FARMER is a life-long resident of Portagevilleand works at the garage in the rear end of LaFont's Service Station. HURLEY advised that he knows nothing derogatory about GENE FARMER who enjoys an excellent reputation in the community.

On 5/17/68, GENE FARMER examined photos of JAMES EARL RAY and advised that except for pictures he has seen in newspapers he has never seen this individual before. FARMER stated he has known [redacted] since [redacted] took over [redacted] FARMER advised he works at LA FONT's Service Station and drinks coffee about three times a day in the cafe only because it is convenient. FARMER stated that he is of the opinion that [redacted] has a quick temper and is a little on the shady side and he consequently has no desire to associate with him. FARMER advised that [redacted] lives about [redacted] from him in [redacted] but he has had no social contact with [redacted]